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MCC intensifies trade licence collection drive

Teams undertake on-spot licence checking, renewal and granting

Mysuru, Mar. 24 (RK&BCT)- Buoyed by the encouraging response to intensified Property Tax collection drives that has resulted in the increased revenue to the cash-starved Mysuru City Corporation (MCC), the civic body has now intensified the trade licence drive to collect pending dues and also issue fresh licences.

The drive was launched a couple of days back where teams are visiting individual shops, establishments and outlets in all commercial and residential areas to check documents. If trade licences are not renewed, renewal is done on-the-spot after collecting money and if the traders have not taken the licence till now, fresh licences are issued.

The trade licence drive has been launched under the leadership of MCC Additional Commissioner Roopa and the drives are being undertaken in all the nine MCC Zones under the leadership of the respective Zonal Assistant Commissioners. Teams have been formed comprising Revenue Inspectors and Assistant Revenue Officers who are visiting shop-by-shop checking and verifying documents with the original records.

Roopa told *SOM* that following directions from MCC Commissioner G. Lakshmikantha Reddy, a trade licence issuance and renewal drive has been launched. Although commercial establishments were issued notices for renewal of trade licence, they neglected it in the past.

During the drive, it was discovered that some shops have been running business without trade licence for over three years and now, the licence fee, along with penalty, has been collected from them. COVID and the later months had severely affected trade licence collection and many traders had failed to renew their licences despite mandate.

"As of now there is no problem. But we are ready to take punitive action if there is a huge backlog of licence fees and if any trader objects to pay," an officer said.

Property Tax and trade licence fee are two important revenue sources for MCC to undertake development works. All the Zonal Assistant Commissioners have been asked to ensure that the pending dues are collected.

To Our Readers

Turn to Page-9 for N.K.A. Ballal's article titled **"Leave Chamundi Hill alone."** —Ed

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Hunsur man works as teacher for 24 years using dead brother's education certificates!

- Even after complaint to DDPI & Mysuru DC, shoddy investigation yields no result
- Lokayukta takes up complaint, investigates and exposes the impersonation

Hunsur, Mar. 24 (Mahesh & BCT)- A man, who secured a teacher's job about two decades ago allegedly by using his dead brother's qualification certificates, has been arrested by the Periyapatna Police.

Shockingly, the accused and his family managed to conceal his identity very well and he could serve as a teacher in a Government school for 24 years undetected. The accused is Lakshmanegowda, serving as a teacher at Kattemalalavadi Higher Primary School near Hunsur. He is a native of Hebbal village near K.R. Nagar and his family resides there.

24 years ago, his elder brother Lokesh Gowda was selected for the Government job and he was asked to report as a teacher at a school in 1994-1995. He even received the Government order to this effect.

But as fate willed, Lokesh Gowda died before he could take up the job. Utilising this opportunity to secure a permanent Government job, Lakshmanegowda took the Government letter and identified himself as Lokesh Gowda and reported for work at Muddanahalli School in Periyapatna taluk.

Award winning teacher

Lakshmanegowda successfully camouflaged his identity for years. He even managed to win a teacher's award.

Journalist exposes fraud

Lakshmanegowda served at many Government schools with impersonated identity and his fraud failed to come to the notice of any authority in the Education Department.

Accused Lakshmanegowda

However, in 2019, after he came to Kattemalalavadi, Intec Raju, a journalist from Hunsur, got a whiff of the illegal act and filed a complaint with the Deputy Director of Public Instructions (DDPI), Mysuru. Acting on the complaint, the DDPI urged the K.R. Nagar Taluk Tahsildar to check the veracity of the complaint and also check the family tree of Lakshmanegowda.

After investigation, the Tahsildar wrote back to the DDPI that Lakshmanegowda's family was not obliging and they were not ready to divulge details.

Issue reaches DC

Later, Raju pursued the case with the Mysuru Deputy Commissioner (DC) and in 2020, the DC ordered the DDPI and the Block Education Officer (BEO) to book a Police complaint if the allegations were found to be true.

Lokayukta contacted

But even after six months, the BEO failed to lodge a Police complaint and as such, Raju complained to the Lokayukta.

The Lokayukta Police and officers summoned both Raju and Lakshmanegowda and began investigation. A probe was even conducted at the recruitment level and it was found that Lakshmanegowda had indeed impersonated his brother Lokesh Gowda to secure the Government job.

Even the family tree produced by the accused was altered and as such, the family tree was declared null and void. A Police complaint was lodged at the Periyapatna Police Station by BEO S.P. Nagaraju and the accused Lakshmanegowda has been arrested now and has been sent to judicial custody.

STAR OF MYSORE

"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Thursday 24th March 2022

'Brahmibhuta Sri Vasudeva Maharaj Sadbhavana Prashasti' presentation ceremony on Mar. 26

Filliozat & Vasundhara *Basavaraju*

Dr. Leela *Dr. Ganesh* *Yogesh*

Mysuru, Mar. 24- As part of Brahmibhuta Sri Vasudeva Maharaj's 83rd Jayanthi, achievers from various fields will be honoured with 'Brahmibhuta Sri Vasudeva Maharaj Sadbhavana Prashasti' at a programme to be held at Pathrakartara Bhavan on Tyagaraja Road in city on Mar. 26 at 11 am.

MLC C.N. Manjegowda will inaugurate the programme. Foundation President Dr. Gururaja Poshettihalli will deliver keynote address. District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Maddikere Gopal will preside. Nirvana Yogashale Founder Dr. T.N. Shashikumar will honour the achievers. Senior social worker Dr. K. Raghuram Vajpayee and Congress leader N.M. Naveen Kumar will be present.

Historians Sylvain Filliozat and Vasundhara Kavali will be conferred with Lifetime Achievement Award. Bengaluru's M. Basavaraju (social work - organising), Dr. Leela Basavaraju (theatre), Dr. P.N. Ganesh Kumar (yoga) and K.P. Yogesh (politics - social work) will be conferred with 'Brahmibhuta Sri Vasudeva Maharaj Sadbhavana Prashasti', according to Foundation Founder-President M.V. Nagendra Babu and Convenor N. Anant.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

Expensive Persian carpets and furniture used to be quietly carried by senior officers on being transferred. This was prevalent more in Hyderabad Karnataka where the offices and residences were lavishly furnished. Such acts were all smoothly cleaned up by transferring senior officers. Corruption by individual officers was common. One that made much noise was a raid on the residence of a senior officer in which a large amount of gold, unaccounted money, materials plus 18 bottles of Scotch were recovered. The 18 bottles made more sound and fury than everything else as Scotch was rare and expensive. The officer escaped with his influence in the Government.

Widespread corruption in the transfer of officials for an exchange of money and favours has been rampant in Karnataka, so much so that a national daily once stated that the transfer industry was a major industry in Karnataka. Soon, the liquor industry, illegal conversion and allotment of land, and allotment of mining areas became huge sources of corruption. The beneficiaries became all powerful lobbies who could make and unmake Governments with the known patronage of the higher-ups. Not that corruption didn't exist earlier. But it was mostly only money transfer between individuals. Corruption is today considered an essential part of electoral politics. But it is nothing new. Even the Bible warns us not to bribe God! — *Philipose Matthai in Deccan Herald*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Company creates functional invisible shields

London: Taking cue from Harry Potter's iconic invisibility cloak, these real-life invisibility shields can make anyone who hides behind them disappear into thin air.

Invisibility Shield Co. is a UK-based startup that has been working on an affordable invisibility mechanism for over two years. The company recently revealed a line of invisibility shields that rely on surprisingly simple technology to make users invisible to the naked eye. Apparently, the shield uses a 'precision-engineered lens array' to deflect light from the subject sitting behind the shield away from the observer. The lenses are oriented vertically to allow light from the subject to diffuse when it passes through the shield. The light from the subject's background is refracted towards the observer who cannot see the subject hiding behind the shield.

61-year-old who won 550-mile ultra-marathon

Sydney: Cliff Young is a legend among ultra-marathon runners and for good reason – at the age of 61, the Australian potato farmer became the unlikely winner of the gruelling Westfield Sydney-Melbourne Ultra Marathon.

As the name suggests, the Westfield Sydney-Melbourne Ultra Marathon has competitors running from Sydney to Melbourne, a distance of 543.7-miles (875 kilometres). The first man to win this endurance race remains its most famous participant to date – a 61-year-old potato farmer who ran the whole thing wearing overalls and work boots and beat the runner up by 10 hours.

HEALTH CAPSULE

All cases of blood in stools are not piles and all piles problem doesn't require surgery. Treatment ignored can cause long term morbidity and can be dangerous.

By Dr. Sreeharsha M V - Consultant - General Surgery
Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Bharatanatyam recitals at Veene Seshanna Bhavan on Mar. 25

Mysuru, Mar. 24- Ganabharathi will present a Bharatanatyam recital by Vidu. Padmashri from 6 pm to 7 pm and dance by Bharathanjali Nritya Shala from 7 pm to 8 pm on Mar. 25 at Veene Seshanna Bhavan in Kuvempunagar.

For details, contact C.G. Ravishankar on Mob: 94483-23234.

Vidu. Padmasri hails from an artiste family. She was attracted to dance at a very young age. She is trained in vocal by her father Vid. M.R. Krishnamurthy and in dance by Dr. K. Kumar. Her talent was recognised by Guru P. Praveen Kumar. Her major performances are at Mysore Palace (Dasara), Hampi Utsava and Chalukya Utsava. She has been awarded with Anupama Kalashri, Natyamayuri and Basavashri awards. In 2021, she was awarded Doctorate from Pondicherry Global Human Peace University. She is the Founder of Kalanidhi School of Dance in Mysuru.

Bharathanjali Nritya Shala was founded in 1985 in Mandya and Mysuru to promote Bharatanatyam by Vid. Dr. Sheela Shridhar. Students are learning yoga and Sanskrit along with dance.

REALLY...?

- *"Salvator Mundi" by Leonardo da Vinci is the most expensive painting in the world, valued at $450.3M.*
- *The youngest person to be awarded the Nobel Peace Prize is Malala Yousafzai (aged just 17 in 2014), for her work as a child rights activist and champion of girls' right to education.*

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Kid: *Mummy, could you give me two dollars for this old man on the street?*
Mother: *Oh darling, of course, you're so nice to think of other people. Where is he?*
Kid: *There on the corner, selling ice-cream for two dollars!!*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 76.33
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 100.71
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 20.78
1 Euro	= Rs. 83.82

COVID-19 UPDATE - MYSURU

	MARCH 22	MARCH 23
Day's Positive Cases	0	0
Total Positive Cases	2,29,447	2,29,447
Day's Discharges	14	4
Total Discharges	2,26,874	2,26,878
Day's Deaths	0	0
Total Deaths	2,558	2,558
Total Active Cases	15	11

NOTE: Figures as per Government Media Bulletin

VOICE OF THE READER

More on vehicle number plates

Sir,

This refers to the letter by K.V. Srinivas (Camp: USA) in *SOM* dated 4th March 2022, suggesting additional writing on vehicle number plates like "Sandal State, Coconut State... etc" on the lines of his observation in the State of New Jersey in USA.

I checked the Motor Vehicle Act in this regard and it prohibits under item ***e)*** any other names or art or picture. I doubt if the design and content of vehicle number plate is a State subject which can adopt fancy slogans on the plates.

When Central Government is thinking of avoiding re-registration of vehicles when the owner moves to another State, by introducing All India number plates, carrying fancy slogans and writings specific to States on number plates is not a good idea.

If the owner of the vehicle is so proud of hailing the uniqueness of his/her State, one is free to have the same printed/painted on the vehicle body, but not on the number plate. Again choosing an appropriate catchy slogan for the whole State is very cumbersome. Hope the authorities concerned will give a serious thinking and discussion before jumping to action.

NOTE: The MV Act (Rule 50, 51 of MV Act, 1989) specifies that the ***a)*** Registration letters and numbers shall be in black on white background for 2 wheelers / LMV Cars and Black letter on Yellow background for commercial vehicles.

b) The sizes of the number plate and also the letters shall be as given in the pamphlet for each category of vehicle.

c) Display of number plate in the front and rear side of vehicle shall be as shown in pamphlet.

d) Fancy lettering is not permitted.

e) Other names, pictures, arts should not be displayed.

—Prof. B.S. Shankara (retd.)
Mysuru 4.3.2022

Mysuru entrepreneur receives NITI Aayog's 'Women Transforming India Award'

New Delhi, Mar. 24- NITI Aayog's Women Entrepreneurship Platform (WEP) had organised the fifth edition of the Women Transforming India Awards (WTI) here on Mar.21.

This year, as part of *Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav* to celebrate 75 years of India's independence, the WTI Awards were conferred on 75 women achievers to celebrate their contribution towards a 'Sashakt Aur Samarth Bharat'.

In a show of solidarity and alliance, the Awards were given away by an equally exceptional group of women — Kiran Bedi, former Lieutenant Governor of Puducherry; Lakshmi Puri, former Assistant Secretary-General of UN; Dr. Tessy Thomas, Director-General of Aeronautical Systems, DRDO; Arundhati Bhattacharya, former Chairperson of State Bank of India; Debjani Ghosh, President of NASSCOM; Ila Arun, acclaimed singer; Salma Sultan, former news anchor at DD; Dr. Sangeeta Reddy, Joint Managing Director of Apollo Hospitals; and Shivani Malik, Managing Director of Da Milano Leathers.

NITI Aayog CEO Amitabh Kant and Kailash Kher, who has written, composed and lent his voice to the WEP anthem, were present at the event.

WTI Awards-21 were presented in the following seven categories: Public and Community Service; Manufacturing Sector; Non-manufacturing Sector; Financial Products enabling Economic Growth; Climate Action; Promote Art, Culture and Handicrafts; Digital Innovation.

The 75 awardees represented different regions and sectors and were selected through an elaborate process spanning several months.

Kuppanda Chayaa Nanjappa Rajappa** (extreme left), **Founder & Managing Partner of Nectar Fresh, Mysuru, seen receiving the prestigious 'Women Transforming India Award' in manufacturing sector, from Dr. Tessy Thomas, the first woman scientist to head a missile project in India & Director General of Aeronautical Systems and Kiran Bedi, the first woman IPS Officer & former Lieutenant Governor of Puducherry, at the awards ceremony organised by NITI Aayog in New Delhi on Mar. 21.

Intl. Islamic scholar to deliver talk tomorrow

Mysuru, Mar. 24 (KS)- International Islamic scholar Hazarath Moulana Hafiz Qari Ashraf-ul-Qadri Ashrafi, who will be in city, will deliver a lecture on 'Weeladath-e-Ghouse Azam' and 'Istaq-Bal-e-Ramzan' month tomorrow.

The event has been organised by Markaz-e-Mashaeeqin Educational Welfare and Charitable Trust, Rajivnagar, Mysuru and will be held at Masjid-e-Mushaeeqin at 1 pm tomorrow. For details, contact Mob: 96060-48258.

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Walk-in-Interview for the recruitment of Temporary Assistant Professors

The Walk-in-Interview for the following Posts will be held on **29-03-2022 at 11.00AM** in the Board Room of Placement Building, P.E.S. College of Engineering, Mandya. Interested candidates are required to attend for a written test. Only those candidates who are found to be qualified in the written test will be called for the interview.

They must be present at the venue at 9-00AM to appear for the written test along with Bio-data, Passport Size Photograph, copy of Original marks cards / Testimonials.

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NEWS BRIEFS

TB screening camp

Suyog Hospital, Ramakrishnanagar, has organised a free Tuberculosis (TB) screening camp from Mar. 24 to Mar. 31 as part of World Tuberculosis (TB) Day at its premises. TB specialist Dr. Suyog Yoganna will screen the patients. There will be walkathon on main streets of Ramakrishnanagar to create awareness about the disease among the public. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2533600 or Mob: 97395-55908.

Ramzan fasting to commence from Apr. 3

Ramzan fasting will commence on Apr. 3 and will conclude on May 2, according to Sir Khazi of Mysuru Moulana Mohammed Usman Shariff. For more information, contact the Sir Khazi on Mob: 93423-39646 or 78929-05460.

Financial aid

The State Government has sanctioned grants for Maratha Development Authority. People, who belong to Maratha Community and have Below Poverty Line (BPL) card, are eligible to avail financial assistance provided by the Authority for starting a business and lead a self-reliant life. Interested community people may contact the following leaders: E. Maruthi Rao Pawar, former MLA, on Mob: 98453-53733 or Mahadeva Rao Rannore, Karnataka Kshatriya Maratha Parishat (KKMP) reporter, on Mob: 88674-52596 or M.N. Gopalarao Jadav, KKMP President, on Mob: 99451-51455, Krishnajirao Garge on Mob: 98441-57949 or Gnana Prakash on Mob: 94487-58589.

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Today	:	2,270.21	feet
Inflow	:	616	cusecs
Outflow	:	1,309	cusecs

HARANGI DAM

Maximum	:	2,859.00	feet
Today	:	2,848.75	feet
Inflow	:	34	cusecs
Outflow	:	55	cusecs

Forest Minister Umesh Katti chairs high-level meeting in Bengaluru

Holds discussions on elephant menace in Kodagu and problems of daily wagers in Hunsur Forest Dept.

Madikeri/Hunsur, Mar. 24 (Hanagod Mahesh&KS)- Problems pertaining to elephant menace in Kodagu and issues of daily wagers of Hunsur Forest Department were discussed by MLAs at a high-level meeting held with Forest Minister Umesh Katti in Bengaluru on Tuesday.

Virajpet MLA K.G. Bopaiah said that the menace of wild elephants had increased in the district. "As Kodagu receives heavy rains, it is very difficult to maintain elephant trenches to prevent them from entering human habitats. The menace can be controlled only if the elephant trenches are maintained annually. Solar fences have failed to prevent wild elephants from entering villages and towns and hence steps have to be taken to erect rail barricades as a preventive measure," the MLA added.

Madikeri MLA Appachu Ranjan, who also spoke, said that food and fodder for wild elephants in the forest had decreased due to teak plantations and added that even a sparrow will not build its nest on teak trees.

Pointing out that teak trees should be chopped down and saplings useful for wild elephants should be planted, Appachu Ranjan said that artificial ponds and lakes should be constructed inside the forest so that wild elephants could find food and water there.

Chairman of Karnataka State Western Ghats Task Force, Ravi Kushalappa, who too was present at the meeting said that due to menace of wild elephants and other animals, residents of six villages in Sakleshpur taluk have come forward to give away a total of 2,400- acre agricultural land to the Forest Department.

"If the Government provides adequate compensation to the agri lands, it would help in linking Pushpagiri-Kuduremukha Reserve Forests. Also, it will help in expanding the elephant corridor project as well as the forest cover," Kushalappa said. There are 230 tribal hamlets in the State, he said and urged the Government to provide basic facilities under the purview of law to these hamlets.

Minister Umesh Katti said that Rs. 100 crore has been reserved in the budget to prevent man-wild animal conflicts and steps have to be taken by the Forest Department officials to implement it.

MLC Veena Achaiah urged Minister Umesh Katti to chair a meeting in Kodagu to which the Minister said that a meeting chaired by Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai will be held after the conclusion of the ongoing session in Bengaluru.

At another meeting with the Forest Minister, Hunsur MLA H.P. Manjunath spoke about the problems faced by daily wagers of Hunsur Forest Department.

The daily wagers, serving at Nagarahole Reserve Forest, had staged an overnight protest urging the Government to fulfil their various demands including releasing their pending four months' salary.

MLA Manjunath, who met the striking forest staff, had assured of bringing their problems to the notice of the Forest Minister and had convinced the staff to call off their stir. In this backdrop, the meeting chaired by the Forest Minister along with the officials of the Forest Department was held.

It was also discussed in the meeting to provide compensation to the family members of Forest Watchers Gururaj and Dundaiah, who were killed by wild elephants in Nagarahole and also to provide compensation to the family of Ganesh, who died in the road accident while returning home from work.

MLA Manjunath urged the Forest Minister for timely payment of salaries of daily wagers serving in the Forest Department and to take steps to prevent menace of wild animals in villages bordering the forest.

Reacting to MLA Manjunath, Minister Umesh Katti assured of releasing compensation to the families of forest staff and also the pending salaries of daily wagers.

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (PCCF) Vijaykumar Gogi, Additional Chief Secretary to the Government Javed Akthar, Kodagu Chief Conservator of Forests (CCF) Shankar, Deputy Conservator of Forests (DCF) Poovaiah, Hunsur Conservator of Forests Mahesh Kumar and others were present.

Free power for up to 10 HP pump-sets of coffee growers

Bengaluru, Mar. 24 (Agencies)- The State Government has decided to provide power subsidies to up to 10 HP pump-sets installed in coffee estates. This was announced by Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai during the Zero Hour in the Assembly on Tuesday.

The request for subsidised power was made by several MLAs from Kodagu and Malnad regions. Raising the issue, Madikeri MLA Appachu Ranjan said though Kodagu district supplies Cauvery water to the State, it has been neglected. "While tobacco and arecanut estates get power subsidies, coffee estates have been neglected.

Supporting him, Chikkamagalur MLA C.T. Ravi said there is an assumption that coffee growers are rich and so can afford power. "In reality, this is not true as many of them are in debt," he noted.

Not all coffee growers are rich and many small growers are not able to pay the electricity bills, argued Ravi, K.G. Bopaiah, Appachu Ranjan and M.P. Kumaraswamy (all BJP) and they were supported by MLAs A.T. Ramaswamy and H.K. Kumaraswamy (JD-S).

Following the debate, Bommai pointed out that power subsidies extended by the State are increasing every year, adding up to Rs. 12,000 crore to Rs. 14,000 crore. "However, we understand the problems of coffee growers and following a discussion with the Power Minister and others, the State will grant subsidised power to up to 10 HP pumpsets installed in coffee estates. However, the terms and conditions will be released to prevent misuse."

Fuel prices hiked

Mysuru, Mar. 24- The oil marketing companies have increased the fuel prices and the petrol and diesel prices have been hiked by 85 paise and 79 paise per litre respectively on Wednesday.

The price of petrol in city now costs Rs. 101.77 (Rs. 100.92 old price), an increase of Rs. 0.85 per litre while diesel now costs Rs. 86.13 (Rs. 85.34 old price) per litre, an increase of Rs. 0.79.

Cooking gas prices too has been increased. Fuel prices were not increased for the last over four months presumably due to Assembly elections in five States in spite of crude oil prices increasing in the international oil market due to the Russia-Ukraine war.

HC draws curtains on MUDA Comr. transfer episode

Dinesh Kumar to assume charge on May 4

Mysuru, Mar. 24 (BCT)- The Karnataka High Court has drawn curtains on the transfer episode that unfurled at Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) concerning two officers — the present MUDA Commissioner Dr. D.B. Natesh and G.T. Dinesh Kumar who was briefly transferred to MUDA as Commissioner but was eventually transferred again from the post.

Dr. Natesh

Dinesh Kumar

The HC has now ordered Dinesh Kumar to take charge as MUDA Commissioner on May 4, after Natesh completes his two-year term at MUDA. On May 4, 2020, Dr. Natesh took charge of MUDA from outgoing Commissioner P.S. Kantharaju. His two-year term will end on May 3.

He was transferred from the post in June 2021. But just a day after his transfer, the Government issued a fresh order asking him to continue in the post. He held the post until Jan. 10, 2022 when again he was transferred without any posting.

Meanwhile, the State Government transferred Dinesh, who was serving as the Administrative Officer of Malaprabha Catchment Area Development Authority in Belagavi, as MUDA Commissioner. He took charge as MUDA Commissioner on Jan. 17.

Dinesh Kumar's appointment as the new MUDA Commissioner came within minutes of Dr. Natesh taking over as MUDA Commissioner for the third time on Jan. 14 after he (Dr. Natesh) succeeded in getting a stay order from Karnataka Administrative Tribunal (KAT) against Jan. 10 transfer order. Meanwhile, the State Government asked Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) Commissioner G. Lakshmikantha Reddy to take additional charge as MUDA Commissioner.

Dr. Natesh had petitioned the KAT as the Government had transferred him before he completed his two-year term and the KAT ruled in his favour. But Dr. Natesh could not take over MUDA administration as he was posted to be the Managing Director of Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC).

Following the KAT ruling, on Feb. 1, 2022, Natesh was back in the post of MUDA Commissioner and Dinesh became an officer to serve MUDA only for over 15 days. Later, a miffed Dinesh Kumar approached the Karnataka High Court with a writ petition against his premature transfer.

Hearing the arguments and counter arguments, the twin bench of the Court, comprising Justice Shivashankar Amarannavar and Justice Narendra, ordered on Mar. 21 that Dinesh Kumar must take over as MUDA Commissioner on May 4 after Dr. Natesh completes his two-year term.

Speculations over B.Y. Vijayendra's meeting with poll strategist Prashant Kishor

Bengaluru, Mar. 24 (KMS& DM)- With PM Narendra Modi hinting that BJP would not promote family hegemony in politics, State BJP Vice-president B.Y. Vijayendra's meeting with Poll Strategist Prashant Kishor has given rise to many speculations in the State political circles.

B.Y. Vijayendra, who is the younger son of former Chief Minister and senior BJP leader B.S. Yediyurappa, is said to have met Prashant Kishor at New Delhi last week and thereafter at Hyderabad, where

Vijayendra

Prashant Kishor

Kishor has an office. During the talks, Vijayendra is said to have discussed the prospects of contesting the 2023 Assembly polls on his own strength, as he is not sure of his political future in the BJP, with PM Modi giving a hint that the party would not support family politics.

On the other hand, Yediyurappa, who demitted his office in July last year, too is said to be uncertain about his son Vijayendra's future in BJP. Yediyurapp's constant attempts to make Vijayendra a Minister in the Bommai Cabinet has proved futile so far and as such the former CM is said to be worried about the future political prospects of his son. In this backdrop, Vijayendra's reported meeting with Prashant Kishor has caused ripples in political circles.

MLA Zameer Ahmed likely to quit Congress

Bengaluru, Mar. 24 (KMS& DM)- Days after senior leader C.M. Ibrahim quit Congress party and his Legislative Council seat, Chamarajpet MLA B.Z. Zameer Ahmed Khan, who is said to be frustrated with Congress, may quit the party soon. Zameer, who is a close associate of former Chief Minister Siddharamaiah, is said to have held talks with Ibrahim, during which he reportedly expressed his displeasure about the State of affairs in Congress and also hinted at quitting the party sooner or later.

Zameer Ahmed

Meanwhile, after quitting the Congress, Ibrahim, who is most likely to join the JD(S), is said to be talking to all disgruntled minority community leaders in the Congress in a bid to bring them to JD(S), which move has rattled the State Congress leaders.

'Process to fill up 4,000 vacancies in Home Department has begun'

Bengaluru, Mar. 24 (KMS &DM)- Home Minister Araga Jnanendra said that the process for filling up 4,000 vacancies in the Home Department is underway. Replying to a question by T. Venkataramanaiah in Legislative Assembly here on Tuesday, Jnanendra said that there were over 35,000 vacancies in the Dept. for the past several years. But B.S. Yediyurappa as the CM earlier and the current CM Basavaraj Bommai took measures to fill up the vacancies stage by stage, which resulted in addition of more personnel to Police and other Departments coming under the Ministry, he maintained.

Pointing out that currently there are 12,000 vacancies, he said that the process of recruiting 950 Police Sub-Inspectors has just concluded. The Government is taking all measures to ensure filling up of all vacancies in the Home Department as soon as possible, he added.

Amit Shah to visit State on Apr. 1

Bengaluru, Mar. 24 (Agencies)- Union Home Minister Amit Shah will visit Bengaluru on April 1. He is likely to discuss the party organisational matters with the State Unit leaders. According to the BJP leaders, at the time of his visit to Bengaluru, a final decision on Cabinet rejig is likely to be taken.

Amith Shah

He is scheduled to hold a one-on-one meeting with several senior party leaders including Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai and former Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa among others.

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Suttur Seer inaugurates five-day MYBUILD expo

Mysuru, Mar. 24 (PM&DM)- MYBUILD-21, the five-day exhibition of construction materials, interiors and lifestyles, organised by Builders Association of India (BAI), Mysore Centre, began at Maharaja's College Grounds here this morning.

Suttur Mutt Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji inaugurated the 21st edition of the expo by cutting the tape and lighting the lamp.

Speaking on the occasion, the Swamiji said BAI has been doing excellent service for construction and other allied industries.

Observing that builders have more responsibility in these days as they have to meet time-bound demands of customers with varied choices, he wished the expo all success.

Stressing on the need for maintaining quality and following good construction practices, the Seer opined that MYBUILD is a perfect platform for buyer-seller interaction.

Referring to a request made by BAI Mysuru Chairman K. Ajith Narayan seeking the help of JSS institutions for providing skill training for construction workers, the Swamiji said that both the Union and State Governments are giving more importance for skill development and training and the JSS institutions are supportive of Government's initiatives in this regard.

Asserting that JSS will make necessary arrangements if BAI submits a proposal for imparting skill training for construction workers, the Seer said that the nature and modalities of the programme to suit the needs of construction industry will be worked out once the proposal is made.

JSS skill training centre at Dharwad

Continuing, the Swamiji said that the JSS is planning to build a skill development and training centre at Dharwad at a cost of Rs.20 crore. Noting that the JSS has been imparting free education for children of construction workers upto SSLC, he said that hundreds of children can seek admission for this free education. After SSLC, the children can continue their education at a concessional fee, he added.

BAI Mysuru Hon. Secretary A.S. Yoganarasimha, MYBUILD-21 Chairman K. Satish Mohan, Hon. Secretary M.D. Chandrashekar and others were present.

MYBUILD-21 has over a hundred stalls, displaying a whole range of building materials, plumbing systems, pavements, bathroom fittings, kitchen cabinets, interiors, floor tiles, roofing materials, prefab buildings, construction chemicals, construction equipment, builders and developers, lights and lighting products, rain water harvesting systems etc.

The five-day event also features a skit and dance competition. The entry fee is Rs.20. The proceeds of the event will be spent on training programmes and welfare of construction workers through Mysore Builders Charitable Trust (MBCT).

The expo is open from 10 am till 9 pm on all days till March 28.

The valedictory will be held at Maharaja's College Grounds at 5 pm on March 28 with R. Manjunath, Director of Mysuru Airport, as the chief guest.

Soaring crowds at city cinemas

Mysuru, Mar. 24 (RK&BCT)- The release of Dr. Puneeth Rajkumar's last Kannada movie '*James*' and Vivek Agnihotri's Hindi film '*The Kashmir Files*' has buoyed the business of cinemas to its pre-pandemic levels, with theatres and multiplexes increasing the number of daily shows to accommodate the soaring demand for the movies.

After over two years of no shows, all theatres in the city are screening the latest super-hit movies along with other movies that opened at the box office last week. But '*James*' and '*The Kashmir Files*' are major hits and there is a scramble for both online and offline tickets.

Theatre-goers told *Star of Mysore* that they are not getting places to park their vehicles.

Giving a medical analogy for the latest trend, Gayathri Talkies owner M.R. Rajaram, who is also the Vice-President of Karnataka Film Exhibitors Federation, told *Star of Mysore:* "All the theatres were in the ICU for two years and now it is like receiving double-dose vaccinations and also a booster dose. It is like infusing fresh blood to a human body. We are happy that crowds are back and people are feeling safe."

'*James*' is running to jam-packed shows and it was released in five city theatres as soon as it opened on the first day, Mar. 17. "It was screened in Gayathri Talkies, Sangam, Rajkamal, Thibbadevi and Woodlands. Apart from single screen theatres, multiplexes including DRC Cinemas, PVR Cinemas, Inox and Mysuru Vision Cinemas are also seeing packed halls.

As per the agreement reached, '*James*' was screened in all the five theatres for one week and now Gayathri Talkies and Sangam are screening it. We were forced to hike the ticket rates to Rs. 150 and Rs. 200 due to mounting losses but still people are coming. This is unexpected and heartening," he said.

Other theatre operators said that the number of shows had gone up and the movies managed a rare feat — attracting more crowds on weekdays instead of the normal weekends. Audiences are eager to be among the first to rush to theatres to catch the films on the silver screen, they said.

"The movies have surpassed all other films that are currently playing at the cinemas. This has proved that good content always attracts crowds and the response is overwhelming," DRC Cinemas' Proprietor C.R. Hanumanth and his wife Vaishali Hanumanth said. "Yes, the start was slow but now we can confidently say that we are back at pre-pandemic levels. People are feeling safe with vaccination and booster doses and both the movies are being screened inside housefull halls," they said.

One man buys 10 tickets for self so 'The Kashmir Files' is screened for him!

Pandavapura (Mandya), Mar. 24 (RK&BCT)- A man desperate to watch '*The Kashmir Files*' at any cost on Tuesday purchased 10 tickets for self so the movie is screened for him! But by the time the movie was over, there were three people in the theatre as two more people joined him.

Diamond Ravi

The incident occurred at Harohalli near Pandavapura in Mandya District where Diamond Ravi, a resident of Harohalli, went to Kokila Theatre that was screening the Hindi movie. But to his dismay, Ravi found that except for him, there was no one to watch the movie but he still bought the ticket.

Though he waited for some time, no one turned up and when he asked the theatre manager to screen the movie, he refused as Ravi was the only one to buy a ticket. The manager said that they were unable to screen the movie as at least 10 tickets must be sold for a movie to be shown.

Without second thoughts, Diamond Ravi then purchased 10 tickets after paying Rs. 700 and entered the cinema hall and even the manager agreed to screen the movie. During the movie, he called one of his friends to come and watch the movie and give him company. Accordingly, he arrives while another movie buff purchases a ticket to watch the movie.

Nostalgic trip...

The well-known economist and author Devaki Jain, who was in city last weekend along with her son, NDTV anchor Sreenivasan Jain, seen at 'M. A. Sreenivasan Circle' in Chamundipuram on Saturday (March 19). The Circle, at the junction of JLB Road and Manandavadi Road, is named after Devaki's father Mandyam A. Sreenivasan, who occupied many posts in the Princely State of Mysore, including the posts of President of the Mysore City Municipal Council and Chairman of City Improvement Trust Board (CITB), which is now Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA). Devaki Jain, 88, said she has been wanting to visit Mysuru, which for her is filled with childhood memories and it was fulfilled last week when she visited the city along with her son Sreenivasan Jain.

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16535	Mysuru	Solapur	15.45	18.35	Daily	Partially unreserved
16232	Mysuru	Mayiladuturai	16.30	18.50	Daily	Fully reserved
16219	Chamarajanagar	Tirupati	16.55	20.20	Daily	Partially unreserved
16236	Mysuru	Tuticorin	18.20	20.55	Daily	Partially unreserved
16592	Mysuru	Hubballi	18.35	21.40	Daily	Partially unreserved
16210	Mysuru	Ajmer	19.00	22.10	Tue & Thu	Fully reserved
16227	Mysuru	Talguppa	19.30	22.55	Daily	Partially unreserved
22681	Mysuru	Chennai	20.10	22.50	Wednesday	Fully reserved
16022	Mysuru	Chennai	21.00	23.45	Daily	Fully reserved
06560	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	22.20	01.15	Daily	Unreserved
11065	Mysuru	Renigunta	22.55	01.30	Friday	Partially unreserved
22818	Mysuru	Howrah	23.45	02.00	Sunday	Fully reserved

STAR OF MYSORE Service to readers

DEPARTING FROM KSR BENGALURU AND ARRIVING MYSURU

Train No.	From Station	To Station	Bengaluru Departure	Mysuru Arrival	Days of Service	
22817	Howrah	Mysuru	01.10	03.45	Sunday	Fully reserved
16218	Shirdi	Mysuru	01.50	04.40	Thursday	Fully reserved
06559	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	02.05	05.15	Daily Passenger	Unreserved
16021	Chennai	Mysuru	04.00	06.40	Daily	Fully reserved
16220	Tirupati	Chamarajanagar	04.30	07.00	Daily	Partially unreserved
16228	Talguppa	Mysuru	05.05	08.20	Daily	Partially unreserved
22682	Chennai	Mysuru	05.25	08.00	Friday	Fully reserved
16231	Mayiladuturai	Mysuru	06.00	09.10	Daily	Fully reserved
16591	Hubballi	Mysuru	06.00	08.45	Daily	Partially unreserved
12785	Kacheguda	Mysuru	06.45	09.35	Daily	Fully reserved
16235	Tuticorin	Mysuru	07.15	10.20	Daily	Partially unreserved
16536	Solapur	Mysuru	07.30	10.45	Daily	Fully reserved
16316	Kochuveli	Mysuru	08.35	11.20	Daily	Fully reserved
06257	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	09.20	12.45	Daily Passenger	Unreserved
06567	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	10.30	13.20	Daily	Unreserved
12007	MGR Chennai	Mysuru	10.50	13.00	Daily Except Wed	Shatabdi Express
17308	Bagalkot	Mysuru	11.15	14.10	Daily	Partially unreserved
16024	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	13.00	16.15	Daily	Unreserved
12976	Jaipur	Mysuru	13.15	15.55	Wed & Fri	Fully reserved
12614	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	15.15	17.45	Daily	Partially unreserved
07346	KSR Bengaluru	Chamarajanagar	15.35	18.35	Daily Passenger	Unreserved
12577	Darbhanga	Mysuru	17.15	20.00	Thursday	Fully reserved
17325	Belagavi	Mysuru	17.45	20.40	Daily	Partially unreserved
16216	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	18.15	21.05	Daily	Unreserved
06255	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	19.00	22.10	Daily	Unreserved
12609	Chennai	Mysuru	19.50	22.50	Daily	Partially unreserved
16585	KSR Bengaluru	Mangaluru	20.30	23.00	Wed, Fri & Sun	Fully reserved
16230	Varanasi	Mysuru	20.45	23.30	Mon & Sat	Fully reserved
11066	Renigunta	Mysuru	23.20	01.50	Saturday	Partially unreserved
16209	Ajmer	Mysuru	23.30	02.15	Tue & Sun	Fully reserved

TOWARDS HASSAN, ARSIKERE, DAVANGERE, HAVERI, HUBBALLI, DADAR, NEW DELHI AND BACK

Train	From Station	To Station	Departure	Arrival	Days of Service	
16206	Mysuru	Talguppa	06.00	13.15	Daily	Partially unreserved
11036	Mysuru	Dadar	06.15	05.30 (next day)	Sunday (Mysuru)	Fully reserved
07313 (Express)	Mysuru	Yesvantpur	07.45	10.55 (Hassan)	Daily	Unreserved
06225	Mysuru	Shivamogga	10.15	16.25	Daily	Unreserved
06214	Mysuru	Arsikere	17.45	21.50	Daily	Unreserved
12781	Mysuru	Hazrat Nizamuddin	20.10 (Fri)	17.50 (Sun)	Friday	Fully reserved
17301	Mysuru	Dharwad	22.30	08.05	Daily	Partially unreserved
07302	Dharwad	Mysuru	21.05	07.20	Daily	Partially unreserved
06213	Arsikere	Mysuru	05.00	09.25	Daily	Unreserved
06226	Shivamogga	Mysuru	11.15	16.50	Daily	Unreserved
07314 (Express)	Yesvantpur	Mysuru	16.05 (Hassan)	19.40	Daily	Unreserved
11035	Dadar	Mysuru	21.30	21.40 (next day)	Thursday (Dadar)	Fully reserved
16205	Talguppa	Mysuru	15.00	22.15	Daily	Partially unreserved
12782	Hazrat Nizamuddin	Mysuru	05.10 (Mon)	03.30 (Wed)	Monday	Fully reserved

TOWARDS MYSURU TO CHAMARAJANAGAR AND BACK

Train	From Station	To Station	Departure	Arrival	Days of Service	
07327	Mysuru	Chamarajanagar	05.00	06.35	Daily Passenger	Unreserved
16220	Tirupati	Chamarajanagar	07.20 (Mys)	09.10	Daily	Partially unreserved
06233	Mysuru	Chamarajanagar	09.15	10.55	Daily Passenger	Unreserved
07346	Mysuru	Chamarajanagar	19.00	20.45	Daily	Unreserved
07345	Chamarajanagar	Mysuru	07.15	08.50	Daily	Unreserved
16219	Chamarajanagar	Tirupati	15.30	16.45	Daily	Partially unreserved
06234	Chamarajanagar	Mysuru	17.00	18.40	Daily Passenger	Unreserved
07328	Chamarajanagar	Mysuru	21.30	23.10	Daily Passenger	Unreserved

Unions, Federations call for strike on Mar. 28, 29

Mysuru, Mar. 24 (MTY&TRR)- The All India United Trade Union Centre (AIUTUC), Central Employees Unions and Federations, opposing the anti-labour, anti-farmer and anti-people policies of Union and State Governments, have called for a strike on Mar. 28 and 29.

State AIUTUC President K. Somashekar has appealed to the people to support strike. Addressing a press meet at Pathrakartara Bhavan on Monday, he accused both the Central and State Governments of following anti-labour policies. "The Union Government has approved four labour rules which are detrimental to the interest of labourers without discussing them in the Parliament and is in the process of implementing them which is a conspiracy to oppress the labourers. If they are implemented despite strong opposition, we will fight hard against it," warned Somashekar.

Continuing, he said that the new rules are an attack on the rights of labourers and it is in line with the privatisation and globalisation policies of the Government.

Pointing out that Public Sector Units (PSUs) are being privatised by the Governments and many profit-making units including the BSNL are being projected as loss-making organisations, he said that through this, a systematic conspiracy is being carried out to privatise PSUs such as the Railway, Insurance, Health and Education sectors.

He said that to oppose all this, the two-day strike has been called o Mar. 28 and 29.

Underground Drainage Assistants to stage protest on Mar. 28

Mysuru, Mar. 24 (RKB&TRR)- Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) Underground Drainage (UGD) Assistants and Pourakarmikas' Association Working President Kumaraswamy has informed that a protest will be staged at Freedom Park in Bengaluru on Mar. 28 to demand the confirmation of services of 544 UGD Assistants who are working in 10 City Corporations of the State. He also said that they will suspend their work indefinitely till the Government fulfil their demands.

Addressing a press meet at Patrakarthara Bhavan here on Tuesday, Kumaraswamy said "Many UGD Assistants have died while cleaning manholes across the State. It is very difficult to clean the manholes daily as it affects the health of many workers. Many workers have been infected with skin diseases and about 5-6 workers have lost their lives in the 10 City Corporations of the State during the last one year. But since the Govt. has considered UGD Assistants as UGD Helpers, we are deprived of many benefits that are given to permanent and contract civic workers," he said and urged the State Govt. to abolish contract system and confirm the services of UGD Assistants working across the 10 City Corporations across the State.

Unidentified bodies found

Mysuru/ Nanjangud, Mar. 24 (KS)- The Mysuru Railway Police, on Mar. 18, have found a body of an unidentified man who had come under the wheels of Mysuru-Bengaluru train between Maddur and Hanakere Railway Stations and have shifted the body to Mandya District Hospital mortuary.

The deceased is 5.6 ft. tall, aged between 25 and 30 years, wheatish complexioned, normal built, round faced, sports black moustache and beard and was wearing a blue and red checks full arm shirt, brown pant and brown belt.

In another incident, the Railway Police, on Mar. 21, have found a body of an unidentified man who was run over by a train between Pandavapura and Byadarahalli Railway Stations and have shifted the body to Mandya District Hospital mortuary besides registering a case.

The deceased is 5.3 ft. tall, aged about 70 years, dark complexioned, normal built, round faced, sports white moustache and beard and was wearing a faded white coloured full arm torn shirt and a saffron coloured dhoti with flower design.

The kith and kin of the above deceased persons, if any, may contact Mysuru Railway Police Station on Ph: 0821-2516579, according to a press release from the Sub-Inspector, Mysuru Railway Police Station.

Nanjangud: Nanjangud Police have found a body of an unidentified man aged about 35 years at the park near Srikanteshwara Temple and have registered a case. The deceased was found wearing a grey coloured sweater, blue night pant and is said to have died of illness.

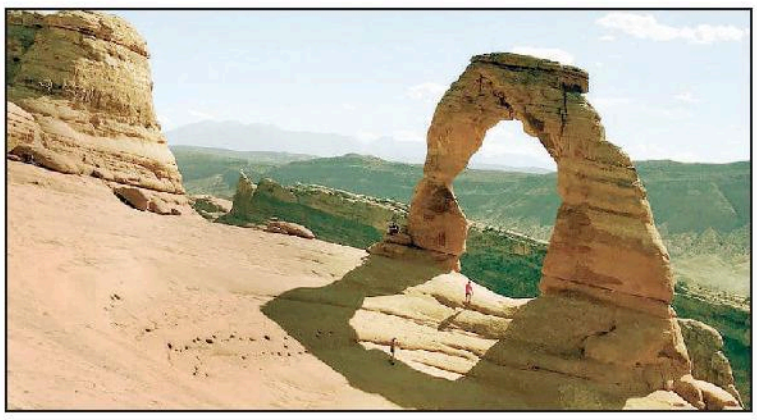
The kith and kin of the deceased, if any, may contact Ph: 0821-2520040 or 2444800.

Leave Chamundi Hill alone

By N.K.A. Ballal,
Retd. Sr. Vice-President, ITDC

Ballal

The 1,008 heritage steps leading to Chamundi Hill.



The Delicate Arch in Utah, United States.

Chamundi Hill is not a granite hill but a hill with lots of loose soil and rocks. Some extra rain, the hill caves in and landslides occur. Imagine the amount of drilling required to put the steel columns for the ropeway? What happens if the hill itself collapses or multiple landslide occurs? Just because money is available in the "PRASHAD" (Pilgrimage Rejuvenation And Spiritual Heritage Augmentation Drive) Scheme, do we have to spend it on destroying a fragile eco-system? Another scheme of providing railing for the hill steps. What purpose?

Chamundi Hill is back in news again. Of course, for all the wrong reasons. The political class is hell bent on construction of a rope-way on this hillock. This subject comes up every two to three years, gets shelved due to the vehement opposition and then again resurfaces.

Yes, ropeway is planned for the Nandi Hills which is a tourist attraction but Chamundi Hill is a pilgrimage centre and how can one compare both? Nandi Hills is 4,849 ft. above sea level and Chamundi Hill is 3,489 ft. above sea level. All tourists coming to Mysuru do not go up the hill but only devotees who are keen to have a *darshan*. Chamundi Hill is an eco-sensitive area; so it is better to leave it alone in peace.

A few years back I went on a trip to the State of Utah [West of USA]. This State is very rocky and rugged and is full of many a National Parks. My daughter took me on a visit to a very famous National Park called the "Delicate Arch," a huge arch-like formation on a hill.

The brochure had informed us in advance that the climb would be tough and one can view the arch from a point on ground itself. Nevertheless we decided to try climbing the rocky hillock — a 35 degree climb of nearly 1.5 km. They had provided us sticks to help us balance while climbing.

As we started the climb, the first km was very easy but it started to become quite difficult thereafter. The wind started to blow and there was no shade available for one to rest too. The Delicate Arch is surrounded by a huge rock and there is a small ledge of about 3 ft around the rock. One has to go on that ledge for about 100 metres to have a look at the arch — no railing support and one misstep your destiny is sealed. Slowly we inched our way to the arch and had a look at the natural wonder "The Delicate Arch."

While returning back, I met a guard and asked him, "Sir, what is the reason you do not provide a railing on the ledge so that there are no accidents? It is quite scary and dangerous too."

He replied, "We do not know how many thousands of years this arch has survived, sunshine, snow, storms etc. If we drill the area near the ledge and due to its tremor if the delicate arch crumbles, how many generations of people to be born will lose the privilege of seeing this wonder."

"If you go through the brochure, we have deliberately mentioned the climb as tough and dangerous. If you are willing to take the risk, please go, otherwise the arch is visible from ground too. Have a look and proceed. A delicate eco-system needs to be preserved for posterity and we as citizens have to do it," he said.

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Another scheme of providing railing for the hill steps. What purpose? Only the fit climb the steps and they do not require any support.

Instead of concentrating on Chamundi Hill, why not talk of renovating other tourist attractions which is very urgent. I am talking about **Brindavan Gardens,** the prime attraction of this region. This Garden is outdated, pathetic and crying for all the help. Why not spend some money for upgradation and renovation of this Garden?

I do not even want to discuss **Devaraja Market** and **Lansdowne** buildings, our heritage structures. The Government in its wisdom has still not decided to reconstruct or renovate it using the existing structure. Even after so many years, Devaraja Market is still a prime international tourist attraction.

Though the University of Mysore has enough funds, it has not been able to maintain the **Jayalakshmi Vilas Mansion** and the **Kukkarahalli Lake** properly. Sheer apathy.

When **Lalitha Mahal Palace Hotel** was given back to the State Government, there was a tacit understanding that it would be privatised at the earliest so that it remained the "jewel in the crown" of Mysuru. Jungle Lodges and Resorts (JLR) was entrusted with the job of running it and is continuing to do so.

Jungle Lodges is an excellent organisation but it just does not have the manpower or expertise required to run a deluxe heritage property. This property requires at least Rs. 80 crore to Rs. 100 crore for a complete renovation including the step gardens. If this state of affairs continues, Lalitha Mahal Palace Hotel will become another State Guest House, entertaining all the Ministers and officials on a trip to Mysuru.

With a lot of fanfare a **Film City** was announced in Mysuru District. What has happened to it? Has the State Government appointed any high-level body to execute the work of Film City?

Ramoji Film City is a success story because it is a private enterprise. It is better that our Government enters into a partnership with a private giant like Universal Studio or Disney or some movie mogul for operating this venture.

I had mentioned several times in my articles on tourism that to develop tourism with minimum expenditure was to have a top-notch **cricket stadium** where international matches are hosted. The benefit of TV coverage is enormous. Last I heard both the State Government and BCCI have agreed. Now what is holding the actual signing of the deal so that the ground-work can start?

Some months back **Heli Tourism** was announced with a lot of fanfare. What has happened to it? The helipad near Lalitha Mahal Palace Hotel now owned by the Wadiyar family is not being used for any purpose. Why not hire the ground and start Heli tours?

The Prince was appointed as **Brand Ambassador of Mysuru** some years back by our Karnataka Tourism Department. After that they did not have any inkling of how to utilise his services. Why not shoot some beautiful tourism spots in and around Mysuru like Melukote, Somanathapura, Gopalaswamy Betta etc., using his services.

Rajendra Vilas, the beautiful Palace Hotel on Chamundi Hill, is crumbling. Why the royalty is not leasing it out to a heritage chain is a mystery.

The list is endless. **Brand Mysuru** is just not Chamundi Hill. With the ten-lane National Highway coming up fast, the journey time from Bengaluru is going to be shortened and combined with the airport expansion, it is expected that many more industries may shift to Mysuru, adding to the extra population and its woes. What is required is top class infrastructure, roads, hotels, hospitals etc., to cater to the demand of the exploding population. To conclude, LEAVE CHAMUNDI HILL ALONE.

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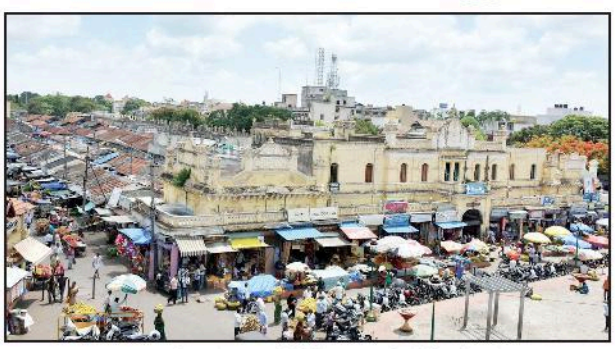
Iconic Lalitha Mahal Palace Hotel.

Rajendra Vilas Palace atop Chamundi Hill.



Century-old Devaraja Market.

WORD OF THE DAY

Tempestuous

Pronunciation: tem-PESS-chuh-wus.
Meaning: Tempestuous means "of, relating to, or resembling a tempest" (which is a violent storm). Its synonyms are turbulent or stormy.
Origin: Time is sometimes marked in seasons, and seasons are associated with the weather. This explains how tempestās—a Latin word for "time," "season," and "weather"—gave rise to tempestuous, an English adjective for things turbulent and stormy.
Example: "Reigning from c. 1479 until 1458 b.c., Hatshepsut was one of very few female pharaohs in ancient Egypt. Known for her ... tempestuous rise to power...." — Lily Landau.

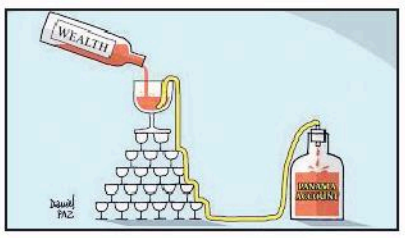
THE ODD WORD

Tabanid

Remote; secret; hidden. Blood-sucking insect; gad-fly.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Trickle down



Meaning: The phrase 'Trickle Down' means [for something] to be distributed to someone or something in little bits at a time.
Origin: As with many popular terms, the origin of the idiom 'trickle down' comes directly from the world of politics. It was first used as an adjectival phrase in 1944, but it dates back even further, to the days when American president Theodore (Teddy) Roosevelt introduced the idea of New Nationalism.
Example: "Information about what happened finally trickled down to me."

QUOTE BOX

Give tax breaks to large corporations, so that money can trickle down to the general public, in the form of extra jobs. **—Andrew Mellon**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

OVER OVER

Answer: Over and over again.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Walsh and O'Neill
4 Exploding star
8 Once upon a ___ : a fairy tale beginning?
12 Voice of America
13 Kolkata's ___ Gardens
14 Cheat, especially in gambling?
15 And so on (2,6)
17 Concerning, in legal terms (2,2)
18 Squeal or complain about? (3,2)
19 Fuse
20 Den
22 Pertaining to ships
24 Oise tributary
26 Auction item
27 The sixth sense in short ?
30 F Scott Fitzgerald wrote "The Great ____ "?
32 Capricious humour
34 That is to ___ : that is what is meant ?
35 Honey collector
37 Hot coal
38 Go and get
40 An attitude, either physical or mental
41 Berate
44 Calm periods
46 Clay water jar
47 Country bordering Thailand
50 Engrossed
51 Old Asian place
52 Bend in a pipe
53 Female sheep
54 Major or minor in the sky?
55 Snow runner

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

A	V	E	R	■	M	A	U	■	A	F	A	R
S	A	F	E	■	E	S	P	■	G	O	B	I
P	I	T	F	A	L	L	S	■	R	O	A	M
■	■	■	O	D	D	■	T	S	E	T	S	E
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E	L	A	M	■	I	L	I	E	■	O	M	S
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R	A	I	■	S	S	E	S	■	E	S	S	E
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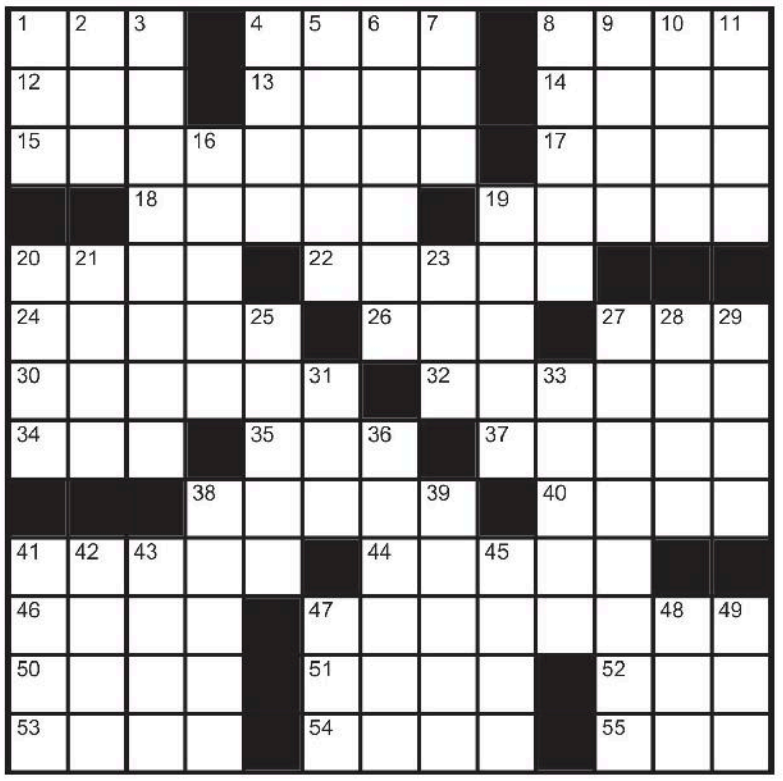
DOWN

1 Genesis lady
2 Small spot
3 Sacred storeroom
4 After deductions
5 Concert hall
6 Relating to Spring
7 Literary snippets
8 Quavering or vibratory sound
9 Bulwer-Lytton heroine
10 Sunrise poetically speaking
11 Supplanted - "deek" anagram?
16 Gains
19 Take a dip
20 Falls behind
21 Amer Inst. of Aeronautics and Astronautics
23 Promise
25 Flowed away
27 Decorates a surface with raised ornaments
28 Nav. readings
29 Funerary bonfire
31 Up to now
33 State indirectly
36 Light cake filled with cream or custard
38 Apartments
39 Swaying dances
41 Painful place
42 Scratch with nails
43 Greek jug - "pole" broken?
45 Tibetan or Buddhist priest
47 Mode Select Unit
48 Kind
49 Foreman foe



SUDOKU

3					1		9	
4		9				8		6
		6					4	
1						6	7	
			5		8			
	7	2						8
	9					5		
2		1				3		7
	3		7					2

Answer to previous puzzle

2	7	9	1	8	4	5	6	3
8	3	5	6	2	9	4	1	7
4	1	6	5	7	3	9	2	8
5	6	8	2	9	7	3	4	1
9	2	7	3	4	1	6	8	5
3	4	1	8	6	5	7	9	2
7	8	4	9	5	2	1	3	6
1	9	2	7	3	6	8	5	4
6	5	3	4	1	8	2	7	9

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

QFIMGOREX RI C TQQB EVRWT. XQG MCW HCRZ RW

QFIMGOREX. RE ODUQJDI EVD HDCO QH HCRZGOD.

TODAY'S CLUE: G EQUALS U

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: When the going gets weird, the weird turn pro.

NOW SHOWING - MOVIES

- **Woodlands Theatre** — Ph: 2422871
  James (K) - 4 Shows
- **Sangam Theatre** — Ph: 2520494
  James (K) - 4 Shows
- **Gayathri Theatre** — Ph: 2443568
  James (K) - 4 Shows
- **Rajkamal Theatre** — Ph: 2423554
  James (K) - 4 Shows
- **Thibbadevi Theatre** — Ph: 2452958
  James (K) - 4 Shows
- **Padma Theatre** — Ph: 2521923
  The Kashmir Files (H) 4 Shows
- **Mahadeshwara Theatre** — Mob: 9900820093
  The Kashmir Files (H) 4 Shows
- **Balaji Theatre** — Ph: 2497199
  Bachan Paandey (H) 4 Shows
- **Lido Theatre** — Ph: 2420885
  Ek Love Ya (K) - 1 Show; *Bachan Paandey (H) 3* Shows

DRC CINEMAS — Ph: 4240422, 4241800

James (K)	(S-1)	9.55 am, 12.55 pm
		7.05 pm, 10.00 pm
	(S-2)	8.00 am, 1.15 pm
		4.10 pm, 7.10 pm
	(S-4)	3.55 pm
The Kashmir Files (H)	(S-1)	3.50 pm; (S-3) 1.00 pm
	(S-4)	10.00 am, 6.45 pm, 10.00 pm
Oruthi (Ma)	(S-2)	10.50 am
Ambulance (E)	(S-2)	10.00 pm
Etharkkum Thunindhavan (Ta)	(S-3)	10.05 am
Bachan Paandey (H)	(S-3)	4.10 pm, 7.05 pm, 9.55 pm
Radhe Shyam (Te)	(S-4)	1.15 pm

INOX LIVE THE MOVIE — Ph: 2533444 / 2533456

James (K)	(S-1)	8.50 am, 12.00 noon, 3.20 pm
		6.35 pm, 9.50 pm
	(S-4)	11.15 pm, 2.30 pm, 5.45 pm
The Kashmir Files (H)	(S-2)	10.30 am, 2.05 pm
		5.40 pm, 9.15 pm
	(S-3)	12.20 pm, 9.55 pm
Bachan Paandey (H)	(S-3)	9.20 am, 3.45 pm, 6.50 pm
	(S-4)	9.00 pm

PVR CINEMAS

Forum Centre City Mall, 2nd Floor. Mob: 8951357139

The Kashmir Files (H)	:	8.00 am, 8.30 am, 11.20 am, 11.50 am
		2.40 pm, 3.10 pm, 6.10 pm
		6.30 pm, 9.20 pm, 09.50 pm
James (K)	:	8.20 am, 9.20 am, 11.30 am
		12.00 noon, 12.30 pm, 2.40 pm
		3.40 pm, 5.50 pm, 6.50 pm
		9.00 pm, 10.00 pm
Bachchhan Paandey (H)	:	8.40 am, 11.50 am, 3.00 pm
		6.10 pm, 9.20 pm
Ambulance (E)	:	4.05 pm, 10.00 pm
Radhe Shyam (Te)	:	7.05 pm

1st Floor, Garuda Mall. Mob: 9901373210

The Kashmir Files (H)	:	8.30 am, 11.50 am, 3.10 pm
		6.30 pm, 9.50 pm
James (K)	:	9.05 am, 9.20 am, 11.50 am
		12.15 pm, 12.30 pm, 03.25 pm
		3.40 pm, 6.10 pm, 6.35 pm
		6.50 pm, 9.45 pm, 10.00 pm
Bachchhan Paandey (H)	:	3.00 pm, 9.20 pm

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James (K)	:	10.00 am, 10.55 am, 12.30 pm
		2.15 pm, 3.30 pm, 6.30 pm
		7 pm, 9.40 pm, 9.55 pm, 10 pm
The Kashmir Files (H)	:	11.30 am, 3.00 pm
		6.25 pm, 9.45 pm
Bachchhan Paandey (H)	:	1.00 pm, 3.55 pm, 7.00 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15.

EVENTS TODAY (MAR. 24)

- **JSS Mysore Urban Haat, JSS Mahavidyapeetha:** Special Handloom Exhibition — Samskruti-2022 — and Handicrafts Exhibition, JSS Mysore Urban Haat premises, Ring Road, Hebbal Industrial Area, **up to 9 pm.**
- **Samridhi:** Designers Exhibition — Clothes, jewellery, bags and accessories, The Quorum Hotel, Vinoba Road, **up to 8.30 pm.**
- **Builders Association of India (BAI), Mysore Centre:** MyBuild21, a grand exhibition of construction materials, equipment, state-of-art technologies and the latest in Real Estate in aid of Mysore Builders' Charitable Trust, **up to 9 pm;** Entertainment programmes, Maharaja's College Grounds, **5.30 pm to 6.30 pm.** [Mob: 99007-91777 or 94480-49242]
- **Ganabharathi:** Muthuswami Dikshitar Jayanti, vocal concert by Vid. Sringeri Nagaraj, accompanied by Vid. Dr. C.A. Nataraj on violin and Vid. P.S. Sridhar on mridanga, Ganabharathi premises, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram:** Swami Jnanayoganandaji speaks on 'Adhyatma Ramayana,' Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**
- **Madhura Jyoti Kalasangha, Mysuru:** 10th anniversary and Samskrutika Ranga Vaibhava, Sri Ilai Alwar Swamiji graces the occasion, Sri Sharada Academy of Music Director Vidu. Pushpa Vidyashankar presides, felicitation to mridanga and tabla player Dr. M.R. Hanumantaraju, mridanga scholar Vid. Raghunandan Bhargav, International artiste Dr. Somaraj, senior singer Sharada Yadav and singer M. Rajeshwari, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **6 pm.**
- **Niranthara Foundation, Mysuru and Kannada & Cultural Directorate, Bengaluru:** Niranthara Theatre Festival 2021-22, Prof. K.C. Basavaraju, retd. Professor, Manasagangothri, guest, **6.45 pm;** Staging of play **'Maayaa Bete'** by Bengaluru-based amateur theatre troupe Drushyakavya (penned by K.Y. Narayanaswamy and directed by C. Nanjudegowda), RamaGovinda Rangamandira, Ramakrishnanagar, **7 pm.**

- **Abhiyenthararu - A Theatre for Engineers, Kannada & Culture Department and Ministry of Culture, New Delhi:** Rashtriya Ranga Utsav (National Theatre Festival), staging of Malayalam play 'The Trap' by Kanal Samskarika Vedi, Tiruvanathapuram (Playwright and Direction: T. Aromal), Kiru Rangamandira (Mini Theatre), Kalamandira premises, **7 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (MAR. 25)

- **University of Mysore (UoM) and Association of Indian Universities:** VCs Conference, technical session-5 on 'Realising SDGs through HEIs for ensuring inclusive and equitable quality education (SDG-4),' M.K. Sridhar, Chancellor, Chanakya University, Bengaluru (online), chairperson; Prof. Sunil Rai, VC, UPES, co-chairperson, Prof. Dinesh Singh, former VC, University of Delhi (online), Dr. Rajesh Tandon, Founder-President of PRIA and UNESCO Co-chair in Community Based Research and Social Responsibility in Higher Education (online) and Dr. Vaidehi Vijayakumar, VC, Mother Teresa Women's University, speakers, **9.30 am to 11 am;** Valedictory session, presentation of report by Prof. Dr. N.K. Lokanath, Nodal Officer, AIU VCs' Meet, UoM, welcome address - Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar, VC, UoM, remarks - Dr. Pankaj Mittal, Secretary General, AIU, presidential address - Col. Dr. G. Thiruvasagam, President, AIU and VC, AMET University, Chennai, guest of honour Dr. J. Ramachandran, Chancellor, AMET University, delivers address, valedictory address by Justice Huluvadi G. Ramesh, President, Karnataka State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, vote of thanks - Dr. S. Rama Devi Pani, Editor, University News, AIU, Vijnana Bhavan, UoM premises, **11.30 am to 1 pm.**
- **JSS Mysore Urban Haat, JSS Mahavidyapeetha:** Special Handloom Exhibition — Samskruti-2022 — and Handicrafts Exhibition, JSS Mysore Urban Haat premises, Ring Road, Hebbal Industrial Area, **10 am to 9 pm.**
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- **Hiranmayi Pratishtana and Kaveri Balaga, Mysuru:** Programme to wish examinees, High School Head Mistress L. Latha presides, writer Bannur K. Raju wishes the examinees, State resource person N. Nagaraju special guest, Pratishtana President A. Sangappa delivers keynote address, Government High School, Railway Workshop, **11 am.**
- **Ganabharathi:** Bharatanatyam by Vidu. Padmashri, **6 pm to 7 pm;** Dance by Bharathanjali Nritya Shala led by Dr. Sheela Sridhar, Ganabharathi premises, Kuvempunagar, **7 to 8 pm.** [Mob: 94483-23234]
- **Rotary Mysore North and Kadamba:** Conferring of Rotary Kadamba Ranga Prashasti 2021-22 on Indira Nayar, senior theatre artiste and Deepak Mysore, theatre organiser and director, by actor Shankar Ashwath, Rtn. PHF L. Channabasavaraju, President, Rotary Mysore North, presides, Rtn. PHF Rajashekar Kadamba, President, Kadamba Ranga Vedike, will be present, Rotary Hall, JLB Road, **6.30 am.**
- **Niranthara Foundation, Mysuru and Kannada & Cultural Directorate, Bengaluru:** Niranthara Theatre Festival 2021-22, V.N. Mallikarjunaswamy, Joint Director, Kannada and Culture Department, chief guest, **6.45 pm;** Staging of play 'Saayo Aata' by Niranthara Foundation (penned by Jnanapita awardee Da.Ra. Bendre and directed by B.K. Kiran and K.Y. Guruprasad), RamaGovinda Rangamandira, Ramakrishnanagar, **7 pm.**
- **Abhiyenthararu - A Theatre for Engineers, Kannada & Culture Department and Ministry of Culture, New Delhi:** Rashtriya Ranga Utsav (National Theatre Festival), staging of Hindi play 'Wedding Anniversary' by Abhinay Kalyan, Mumbai (Playwright: Vidyasagar Adhyapak and Direction: Abhizit Zunjarrao), Kiru Rangamandira (Mini Theatre), Kalamandira premises, **7 pm.**

Tennis World No. 1 Ashleigh Barty retires at 25

Ashleigh Barty

Canberra, Mar. 24- World No. 1 Ashleigh Barty stunned the tennis world Wednesday by announcing her early retirement from the sport at the age of just 25. Barty dropped the bombshell weeks after becoming the first home-grown champion of the Australian Open in 44 years, joining tennis royalty's most exclusive club with a Grand Slam crown on three different surfaces. "Today is difficult and filled with emotion for me as I announce my retirement from tennis," she said in a video posted on Instagram.

In tearful video message with her close friend and former doubles partner Casey Dellacqua, Barty said: "I'm so happy, and I'm so ready and I just know at the moment in my heart as a person, this is right. I'm so grateful for everything that tennis has given me, it's given me all of my dreams plus more. "But I know the time is now right for me to step away and chase other dreams and put racquets down."

Barty has been World No. 1 for more than two years and retires after winning three Grand Slam singles titles — the French Open in 2019, Wimbledon in 2021 and Australian Open this year. "Thank you for being an incredible ambassador for this sport and for women around the world," the Women's Tennis Association tweeted. "We will miss you so much, Ash."

Barty rapidly became the best, with her dizzying array of slices, pinpoint serving and seamless forehand typifying her all-round game. Late last year, she became engaged to long-term boyfriend Garry Kissick, who was ever-present courtside when she played and often posted supportive messages on social media.

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